

DIARY DATES

'OPEN' CIRCUIT MEETING

Wednesday 25 June 2025, Central Church, Torquay at 7.30pm. Everyone Welcome

CIRCUIT SERVICE

Every Sunday at Southfield at 6pm. Tea, coffee and cake from 5.30pm

FORTHCOMING EVENTS & SPECIAL SERVICES

Sunday 1 June 2025, 3pm at Brixham, Fore Street Methodist Church

Methodist Women in Britain (MWIB) Easter Offering Service

The theme this year is 'Education For All, Hope for All' please do join us for this joyous service

Friday 13 June 2025, 7.30pm at Goodrington Methodist Church

Circuit Celebration Service for Local Preachers & Worship Leaders

With special guest speaker, Revd Paul Smith, former Superintendent Minister Plymouth Methodist Central Hall

Friday 27 June 2025, 7.30pm at Southfield Christian Centre, Paignton

'Thank You For The Music' Circuit Fundraiser

A special musical evening showcasing our organist's favourite musical pieces and hymns

PLEASE NOTE:

Revd Andy Chislett-McDonald's day of rest will be Mondays
and Revd Jeff Short's will usually be a Friday.

In case of emergencies or pastoral concerns on these days, please direct to the Minister on duty

START THE WEEK IN PRAYER

We welcome you every Monday morning at 9 am to join us in a free 15 minute 'Phone Prayer Group'.

The group can be accessed from any landline phone or mobile by ringing 0333 0110 946

You'll be asked for a room number—85276513 # (do include the #hash symbol)

You'll be asked for a PIN number—7239 # and you will join the group.

Please note this is not a video link, it is a telephone group.

OUR BASIS OF MEMBERSHIP

All those who confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour and accept the obligation to serve Him in the life of the Church and the world are welcome as full members of the Methodist Church. **In the Church:** Members are committed to worship, holy communion, fellowship and service, prayer and Bible Study, and responsible giving. **In the World:** Members are committed to the working out of their faith in daily life, the offering of personal service in the community, the Christian use of their resources, and the support of the Church in its total world mission.

OUR CALLING

To increase awareness of God's presence and celebrate God's love

To help people to grow and learn as Christians

To be a good neighbour to people in need and challenge injustice

To make more followers of Jesus Christ.

THE METHODIST CHURCH TORBAY CIRCUIT (37/23)

Quarterly Preaching Grid
June – August 2025

SOUTH WEST PENINSULA DISTRICT (Formerly the Plymouth & Exeter District)

Dear friends

"Surrender Your Agenda"

The South West Peninsula District of the Methodist Church encouraged all of its Circuits to do something radical over Lent this year. We were given the opportunity to move the focus on church life from the practical and the business mode to the spiritual and the work of God's Kingdom. I would suggest that we did not make the most of this opportunity and most people reading this were blissfully unaware that such a move was taking place. I believe that unless we get the spiritual side of our work and call right we will never succeed in any other part of our work to any great degree.

As a Circuit Leadership Team, we have discussed why many of our activities are so poorly attended, especially when much effort has often gone into the planning. I suggested that two possible reasons are:

- (1) The product is not good enough or relevant enough or
- (2) perhaps we are not really committed enough to the "Heavenly Vision" as the apostle Paul described our mission. In a quarter that includes Pentecost Sunday we are reminded again that God will give of Himself, the Holy Spirit, to equip us for the challenge of proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom of God, to those who ask and seek Him. If our Churches close in the coming days it will not be because Heaven stopped supplying but rather that we stopped asking in prayer for God's guidance and power.

Jesus said how much more would the Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask.

Every Blessing, Rev Jeff Short, Superintendent Minister

Jeff Short

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NEW! website: www.torbaymethodistcircuit.co.uk

<u>2025</u>	01-Jun	08-Jun	15-Jun	22-Jun	29-Jun	06-Jul	13-Jul	20-Jul	27-Jul	03-Aug	10-Aug	17-Aug	24-Aug	31-Aug
	7th Sunday of Easter	Pentecost	Trinity Sunday	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Principal Service RCL Readings (Related) Lectionary Year C	Acts 16:16-34 Psalm 32 Re. 22:12-14 Re. 16-17, 20-21 John 17:20-26	Acts.2:1-21 Ps 104:24-34, 35b Ro. 8:14-17 John 14:8-17 (25-27)	Pr 8:1-4, 22-31 Psalm 95 Rom. 5:1-11 John 4:5-42	1 Ki. 19:1-4 (5-7) 8-15a Psalm 42; 43 Ga. 3:23-29 Luke 8:26-39	2Ki. 2:1-2, 6-14 Ps. 77:1-2, 11-20 Ga. 5:1, 13-25 Luke 9:51-62	2Ki. 5:1-14 Psalm 30 Ga. 6:(1-6) 7-16 Lk. 10:1-11, 16-20	Am. 7:7-17 Psalm 82 Cl. 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37	Am. 8:1-12 Psalm 52 Cl. 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42	Ho. 1:2-10 Psalm 85 Cl.2:6-15 (16-19) Luke 11:1-13	Ho.11:1-11 Ps. 107:1-9, 43 Cl. 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21	Acts 7:55-60 Psalm. 31:1-5 1 Peter 2:2-10 John 14:1-14	Is. 5:1-7 Ps. 80:1-2, 8-19 He.11:29-12:2 Luke 12:49-56	Je. 1:4-10 Psalm 71:1-6 He. 12:18-29 Luke 13:10-17	Je. 2:4-13 Ps. 81:1,10-16 He. 13:1-8, 15-16 Luke 14:1, 7-14
BRIXHAM Fore Street TQ5 8AA 8.30 10.30 AVA, StF, MWB, W/L, NIV NIV	ACM ACM HC	x COOK	x ACM	x OLIVERIO/LA BIKE 2 CHURCH	x VOND	ACM DELLER CA HC	x POCOCK	x PRICE	x CHAMBERS	ACM BROAD HC	x ACM	x VOND	x BROAD	x PRICE
GOODRINGTON (Paignton) Grange Road TQ4 7JT 10.30 AVA, HP, SF (1-4), NIV	TRIGG	ACM HC	PRICE	BRINE	DAWE	ACM HC	HART	BROAD	OLIVERIO BIKE 2 CHURCH	ACM HC	VOND	ACM	BUTCHER	SHORT
CENTRAL (Torquay) Tor Hill Road TQ2 5RN 10.30 19.45 StF, NIV, MWBc, AVA	WILLIAMSON HC x	NEWMAN x	CHAMBERS x	SHORT x	PRICE x	BUTCHER SP	SHORT HC SP	HOOKE SP	NEWMAN SP	CARTER SP	SHORT HC SP	PRICE SP	WILLIAMSON SP	NEWMAN SP
PALACE AVENUE Paignton TQ3 3EQ 10.30 AVA, HP, MP3, Local, W/L	SHORT OA	DELLER HC	HEDERMANN	LISTER	BUTCHER	SHORT	COOK HC	WALKER	TRIGG	SHORT OA	BRYAN	BRINE	MOSEDALE HC	VOND
ST ANDREW'S (Torquay) Exe Hill, Shiphay TQ2 10.30 AVA, HP, MPC, NIV	VOND	WILLIAMSON HC	BROAD	WILLIAMSON	SHORT AA	OLIVERIO	DAWE	BRINE	SHORT HC	VOND	LISTER	COOK	SHORT OLIVERIO	TRIGG
VICTORIA PARK (Torquay) CHRISTIAN CENTRE St. Marychurch Rd TQ1 HP, MPC, MWB, NIV 10.30	POCOCK	PRICE HC CA	SHORT	PRICE	DELLER	BROAD HC	BALL	SHORT	COOK	BUTCHER	PRICE HC	SHORT	LISTER	LA SP
SOUTHFIELD (Paignton) Cecil Road TQ3 2SH 18.00 AVA, HP, MHB, NIV	SHORT	ACM	SHORT	SHORT	SHORT	SHORT	SHORT	SHORT	SHORT	ACM	ACM	SHORT	SHORT	SHORT

Minister Abbreviation: Revd Andy Chislett-McDonald –ACM

Preachers unable to take an appointment must arrange an accredited substitute and inform the Superintendent Minister. Please would local churches contact preachers at least 10 days before the service